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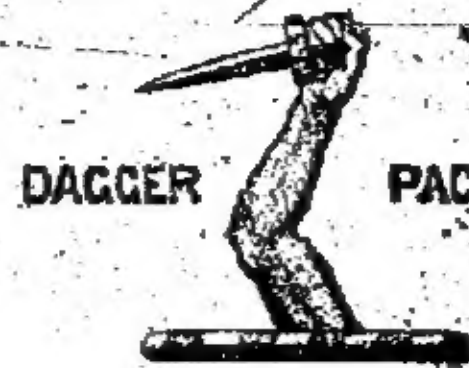
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FRIDAY, December 23—

Noon—Meeting of The Hongkong High-

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2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Curios,

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1904.

THE JAPANNING OF CHINA.

THE restless infatuation which has lately seized upon the rulers of China to seek inspiration and guidance in matters political from Japan, has not perhaps attracted quite so much attention from Europeans as its importance deserves. It is known, in a vague and general way, that some of China's statesmen, among whom was Chang Chih Tung, have been urging their government to seek assistance from the island kingdom. Reasons, some of which were not without force, were adduced in support of this appeal. Japanese teachers could be hired at a much lower salary than Europeans demanded. The Japanese, though they were themselves, were quite far enough advanced to teach China many things of which she was ignorant, and which it was necessary for her to know. Little notice, at the time, was taken of this advice, but the practical achievements of the Japanese during the last twelve months have placed the matter in a new light, and we know that merchants and instructors are entering China by all available doors, and at the same time, many Chinese youths are being sent to Japan to be instructed at the fountain-head. It is not our intention to refer further to the general question to-day. An item published in our notes from Canton, tells us that this Japanning of China, has touched her religion. In a word, a number of Buddhist monasteries in Chekiang, have combined to secure assistance from Japan, with a view to rejuvenate the moribund faith of Buddha. That a small section of Chinese priests should understand their position clearly enough to humble themselves in this way, is remarkable. Few, perhaps, are willing to learn from others the secrets of the religion in which they have been born, bred, and educated, and few needs demand greater moral courage, and indicate more real sincerity, than to send to an alien race, and, until lately, a heartily despised alien race, for teachers from whom to learn the secrets, duties and sanctions of their own faith. How far the movement will spread we have of course, no means of discovering; nor how deep the conviction is which has led to this humiliation. Moreover, the movement seems to be confined to the monks, and in no way to be supported by laymen, without whose assistance there can be no lasting and solid success.

In summing up the debate which followed the lecture, recently given by Mr. Hardy, on the 'Religions of the Chinese,' H. E. the Governor referred, in appreciative terms, to the Buddhism of Siam, and indicated that it was a religious force among the people which made for righteousness. Whatever the Buddhism of Siam may have retained and whatever may be its value as an energizing force among the people, making for righteousness, all competent observers agree that for many long years the Buddhism of the Chinese is just as helpful to the Chinese as is the influence of the nummies of the pyramids to the people of Egypt—finance—and no more. What Buddhism really is, may be discovered from a quotation or two, whose fidelity to fact may not be doubted. Its priests are taken from the poorest families, who are unable themselves to support their children and are glad to see them provided for on any terms. In some cases children are purchased.

Sometimes, also, adults who are weary of the 'dusty earth' seek a refuge from its ills within the walls of a monastery. The sacred books of Chinese Buddhism were originally in Sanskrit and as rendered into Chinese are transliterated (not translated), and therefore the original is almost wholly unintelligible to those who learn to repeat them, and altogether so to those who hear them. 'There is no doubt that the Buddhist monks, recruited as we have seen from the poorest and most ignorant classes, fully deserve the ill-repute which they have gained. They withdraw from the use of the general community large tracts of land, in order to support in idleness, gambling, opium-smoking, and vice, social vampires, who add nothing to the common weal but suck the life-blood of China. Those who are familiar with the actual life or death of Buddhism of modern China will not think that the picture, here represented, is, in any way, overdrawn. The question, therefore, may be asked, Can these dry bones live? By many the answer, unhesitatingly given, would be 'No.' Buddhism is responsible for the myriads of idols, which, to-day, fill her temples and choke the lumber-rooms of her monasteries. It stands or falls with idolatry. A cursory acquaintance soon reveals the fact that he has lost all respect for and faith in idols. It is, we believe, as impossible to make the idols live as it is the fossilized ignominy of the Saurian age. If, however, our judgment is ill-considered, and Buddhism, assisted by Japan, can revive, and recover its position and prestige, then the future will not be without its difficulties. What manner of spirit can animate Buddhist priests is obvious from the rancour of their hatred during the Boxer outbreak. As yet the preacher of Christianity has not crossed swords with the representatives of Buddhism. The priests have either been contemptuous of, or indifferent to, the aims of the missionary. But all this will be changed if Buddhism can be radically changed, and we can confidently anticipate events which may develop into serious situations. It is certain that missionaries will not recede. Their churches are too many and adherents too numerous, apart from other and stronger reasons. If, therefore, there is to be a renaissance of Buddhism, there certainly will be a determined and prolonged struggle between the 'Light of Asia' and the 'Light of the World' for the mastery in China.

Some little while back it was stated that the Volunteers were keen on their work, but it was evidently the result of the interest His Excellency the Governor was then showing in the Corps. Saturday's muster went far to disprove the statement, for, out of a strength of over 200, only 28 Artillerymen turned out, and out of a Company of Engineers numbering upwards of thirty no more than two put in an appearance. The keenness of the Volunteers appears to be of the negative order. We wonder will only thirty attend the proposed ball if it takes place? The sappers and gunners might well take a lesson from their officers, a large percentage of whom were present at Saturday's manoeuvres.

A resident tells the following incident in which he was worried by a beachcomber. 'I was looking at some things in a shop window in Queen's Road,' he recounted with a smile, 'when I noticed someone come up close behind me. On turning round I saw a red-faced bloated member of the beachcomber fraternity. In answer to my look he said: "Same old tale, Governor." "Yes," I replied, "had nothing to eat all day?" "That's the Governor, usual thing." Seeing that I was somewhat flustered, he took one pocket and brought out all the coin there, \$5 cents, and handing it to him said: "Do you mind taking a little advice with it?" "Oh, no! Governor," was the reply, so I said (knowing that the advice would be really thrown away): "Stick to beer—don't take whisky!" "That's good advice, Governor," he replied, "but when you give advice you should always try to provide the means of carrying it into effect. A bottle of beer costs 35 cents."

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LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The English Mail of the 19th November was delivered in London on the 19th December.

The British India steamer *Saida* is at the Kowloon Docks, being fitted up as a coohee ship.

The coohee ship, *Saida*, arrived in port to-day from the north, with a large number of coohees on board, bound for South Africa.

From Mr. J. Quin, representative of Lever Brothers Limited, the well-known manufacturers of Sunlight and other soaps, we have received a handy pocket diary for 1905.

Meers Gregor and Co., whose merchants, have forwarded us a sample of their wines, together with one of their artistically arranged catalogues. The catalogue contains many recipes for making cocktails. To all purchasers of at least \$25 worth of wines and spirits from Meers Gregor and Company during Christmas week will be given free three bottles of selected wines, two bottles of whisky and one bottle of Liqueur. An advertisement appears elsewhere.

Pollard's Lilliputians.

This popular company of entertainers open in Hongkong on December 23 in 'The Bell of New York.' An advertisement appears elsewhere.

Rugby Football.

To-morrow afternoon the Hongkong Club will play a Rugby football match with a team from H.M.S.S. *Albatross* and *Glory* at Happy Valley, commencing at 4.45 o'clock. The following will represent the Club:—

Full back, J. M. F. Bourchier; Three-quarters, J. Thomson, A. O. Lang and G. D. Bateman; Halves, J. Clark and N. Soper; Forwards, E. R. Hallifax, Capt. Elgood, Lieut. Graham, Lieut. Black, Lieut. Rankin, J. O. Steer and H. F. Chad.

A Gao-Breaker.

A most sensational escape was effected from the new Municipal Gaol at Shanghai on Dec. 10, says the *N. C. Daily News*. The convict who has the proud record of being the first to get out of this gaol was a man who was undergoing a term of five years for kidnapping. He got out of the cell by a key made out of a stick-whisker spoke, gained the roof by the aid of a pole which he dragged up after him, descended from the roof in the same way, and unobserved by the warder on watch, got to the wall. Here a rope seems to have been thrown to him by a confederate and he got safely over. Although active search is being made for the man he has so far evaded capture.

The Need For Unity.

M. Jaurès, speaking in the French Chamber of Deputies on the Anglo-French Convention, said that it is simply a guarantee of peace between France and England, the hope of both countries being that others will follow their example and so aid in putting an end to the horrors and barbarities of war. Trading with great skill upon some that delicate ground, he went on to say that, if even Germany were to abandon her policy of bowing dissension and sincerely to enter upon the path of peace, he would not find even in the painful facts of modern history any insuperable barrier to a good understanding with France. M. Jaurès added that it is necessary to deal gently with all nations, even with the peoples of the Far East, where, in his view England and France might pursue a common policy untrammelled by exaggerated fears of the Yellow Peril. But, he added, if that path be so great as is supposed, it offers the strongest reason for unity and peace among European nations, as well as for their just and humane dealing with all the Asiatics under their sway.

The Yarn Market.

Meers Covancey, Pallanjan and Co. report:—Since the issue of our last circular, dated the 2nd instant, our Yarn Market during the earlier part of the fortnight under review showed signs of weakness and prices dropped from fifty cents to a dollar per bale, and a very small business was reported only for actual requirements; later the telegraphic advice of a heavy fall in the prices of Raw Cotton in America, coupled with a weak market in Bombay, and a steady rise in the rates of Exchange made importers hasty sellers and accepted the prices which were about \$2 to \$5 below the last Mail's quotations, and even at this decline in rates the Chinese dealers are not purchasing freely only in the hope of a further decline in the near future if the rates of Exchange further improve. Sales of only four bales are reported in No. 20s at a decline of \$3 to \$5 per bale, and even at this decline this count is difficult of sale. No. 10s are not inquired for only one thread was sold at a decline of \$2. A moderate business was reported in No. 12s at a concession of \$2 to \$4 per bale. Prices of No. 10s also show a decline of \$2 to \$4 per bale with a limited business passing. Only one thread of No. 8s changed hands at current rate. No sales are reported in No. 6s. The market closes weak. Sales during the past fortnight comprised about 100 bales of No. 20s; 1,700 bales of No. 10s; 325 bales of No. 12s; 60 bales of No. 16s; and 250 bales of No. 40s, in all about 2,425 bales. Arrivals during the fortnight per steamers *Despatch*, *Kuansing*, *Daguer*, and *Arctique* about 10,000 bales. The annual stock is estimated at about 18,000 bales.

BY TELEGRAPH.

[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]
[SPECIAL BY TELEGRAPH, THIS MONDAY.]
[Received on December 17, at 7.18 p.m.]

SECOND SUEZ CANAL MOOTED.

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LONDON, December 17.

Sir Angier announces that owing to the high rates charged for the use of the Suez Canal he is prepared to offer matured plans for the cutting of a second canal.

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The proposal has attracted considerable interest in mercantile circles.

[Although our cable merely states 'Sir Angier' we cannot find any such name in our reference books. The probability is that it refers to Mr. T. V. S. Angier, the well-known London shipowner. His vessel the *Reynold* has made at least one trip to Hongkong.—En., C.M.]

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

MR CHAMBERLAIN'S FISCAL POLICY.

LONDON, December 16.

Mr Chamberlain has re-opened his campaign. Addressing 4000 working men at Lincoln House he dealt especially on the advantages of his policy for the working classes, and said that it was impossible to maintain the protection of labour with the unrestricted import of paupers and cheap foreign goods made cheaper by artificial means; unless reform was adopted workers would have to accept lower wages or lose employment.

PRESIDENT KRUGER'S FUNERAL IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The late President Kruger's funeral was attended by a great concourse of Burghers. The service conducted by the leading Dutch Ministers was most impressive. The leading speaker declared that the Boers were loyal to the new flag which was a symbol of equality and freedom, but the nation must follow the lines of development which the late President Kruger had laid down.

Ex-General Botha, speaking at the late President's funeral, urged his countrymen to carry out the late President's ideal of creating a great nation North of the Vaal, while remaining loyal to the new Government and promoting the unification of the white races. He read as a political testament, the late President's letter urging unity, with a view of rebuilding what had been overthrown.

By the command of the King a battery fired a salute of 21 guns and the Imperial Government was represented.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The Viceroy Returns.

Our Correspondent at Wuchow writes under date of Dec. 16:—It is reported that the Viceroy arrived at Wuchow to-day.

The Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association.

Good progress is being made in the formation of the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association. Rules have been drawn up and will shortly be issued to Members. The first shoot will probably take place early next month, then it is hoped that the total membership will reach 100. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. H. Trevellick Davis, 10 Des Voeux Road, will be pleased to receive the names of any British subjects desirous of joining, who have not already sent in their names.

Corean Paper Boots.

The *N. C. Daily News* Correspondent at Yungpung says the *Yongpung* in the North have a better opinion of Japanese valour than Japanese leather. One man, noticing our boots, remarked upon their durability, and told us that last year some Japanese gentlemen reviewed the troops at T'ung chow, and afterwards sent ten thousand pairs of boots as a present to the forces. 'Where are they now?' we asked. 'Worn out long ago,' was the reply, 'they were very poor boots.' And a comrade standing by, joined in: 'Yes, they were made of Kaobichih (Corean paper).'

Sailors in Trouble.

Four sailors from the s.s. *Ancon* were indiscreet enough yesterday to walk into the Central Police Station premises and demand some liquor from a boy there. The latter refused and tried to push one of the men out, when they all turned on him and assaulted him. Several policemen were in the vicinity and they quickly put the sailors out of harm's way. This morning, before Mr. H. J. Gompertz, they were charged with trespassing on the Central Police Station premises, behaving in a disorderly manner while there and assaulting the boy. They were all convicted, the first and second defendants being ordered to pay fines of \$15 each, the third man \$20 and the fourth \$10.

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THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

THE SUPPLEMENTARY BALTIC FLEET.

A Cruiser at Dakar.

LONDON, December 17.

The Russian cruiser *Trek* has arrived at Dakar, West Africa.

[JAPANESE OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.]

PROVIDING THE SINEWS.

Japanese Diet Passes the Budget.

TOKIO, December 16, 10 p.m.

On the 17th instant the House of Representatives unanimously voted the War Budget of Yen 789,000,000, as asked for by the Government, as extraordinary naval and military expenditure; and a Contingent Fund for 1905. Of the above amount Yen 300,000,000 will be paid out of the revenue for 1905, which is estimated to amount to Yen 388,000,000, including the receipt of Yen 74,000,000 from increased taxation and other sources of revenue. The balance of Yen 571,000,000 is to be obtained in the form of bonds and temporary loans, but of this Yen 120,000,000 is already covered by the loan recently raised abroad.

The House also passed the ordinary budget for 1905 practically as presented by the Government, the reduction made in the expenditure being only a little over Yen 1,000,000.

A Suspicious Movement.

Upon arrival in port on Saturday Captain Bishop of the *Chikii*, reported that on his way from Tientsin on Dec. 13 he sighted two Japanese war vessels calling at sea off Yungching Bay, Shanghai Prefecture. The vessels were steaming slowly south the collars being alongside.

DECEMBER 17TH, 1904.

(Specially written for the CHINA MAIL by a poet who is under contract to write for no other paper, and who occasionally writes above the realm of poetry to the proper performance of his function as editor.)

That fight shall be remembered while cock-tails ebb and flow,
The fight that fell last Saturday—two mortal days ago;

What time in this our island, on the gory field of Mars,
The Volunteer Gunners met the Volunteer Masses.

A courier came to Government House, his face was pale and wan;
"The brat-foes is at our doors; I've just escaped their van."

The Governor he answered swift: "We'll make that foe see stars;
Call out the Flying Squadron—ring up the Light Hussars."

The City Hall, the trying-place—the cheering rent the sky—
And four-and-twenty heroes sallied forth to do or die.

Rings out their valiant chieftain's voice; the column half-way swings;
They wisely choose the upper road, for trams are deadly things!

Like thunder through the streets which mark the Chinaman's abode,
But like the lightning's flash itself they swept Pokfulam Road.

Past Belcher's and the Dairy Farm—one streak of light—they go,
Till on the plains of Aberdeen they spy the advancing foe.

"Now by the tips of those ye love, fair troops of Hongkong,
Charge up those blooming Gunners; go at 'em hot and strong."

"Strike for your hearths and for your homes and for your babes and wives;
Strike in the name of liberty; strike for your very lives!"

Two dozen swords were striking deep, two dozen swords were true;
Two dozen heroes sought to share their riders' ecstasy.

Each sword swung high; each seat sits tight; with joy each heart is large;
"Twice worth ten years of peaceful life to see that glorious charge."

The watcher strains his eyes to see the shock of that assault,
When, high above the battle's roar, rang out the order "Halt!"

For Jones had dropped his handkerchief, and trooper William Brown
Had, at this awful moment found his pulvis coming down!

These things put right, our warriors bold resumed their headlong course,
And right upon the foeman's guns came crashing man and horse.

Red ran the gutters to the sea, the hill-sides reeked with gore,
And, scarlet-stained, the thirsty blades drank more and more and more.

With carbine-smoke, and bayonet the gunners smote and thrust,
And many a trooper, come to play, remained to bite the dust.

The squadron conducted blood, the dew was sanguine-hued;
And darkness found the opposing hosts—both of them unobscured.

The dead were piled in heaps around; all ranks were getting thinner;
When suddenly a voice was heard "We'll all be late for dinner!"

A truce was called; the dead revived; all strife was set aside;
And, side by side, three Britons bold marched home like brothers tried.

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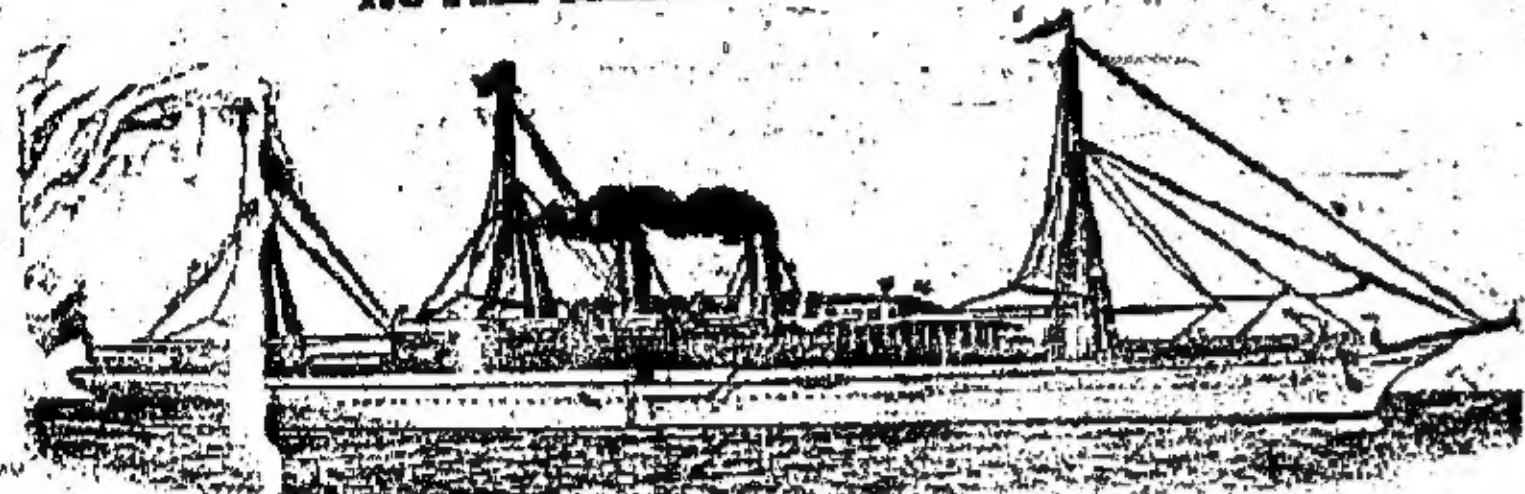
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E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent, Hongkong, December 17, 1904.

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